What is claimed:

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1. A method for controlling a recloser for an electrical power line, comprising:

determining a protection setting group, the protection setting group having at least one associated feature:

determining a present condition of the at least one associated feature;

determining a behavior function for the recloser based on the protection setting group and the present condition; and

implementing the behavior function for the recloser, thereby controlling the recloser responsive to the behavior function.

- 2. The method according to claim 1, further comprising continuously monitoring the present condition and changing the behavior function responsive to the monitoring.
- The method according to claim 2, wherein the monitoring the present condition comprises monitoring at predetermined intervals.
 - 4. The method according to claim 1, wherein the at least one associated feature comprises one of time of day, day of week, and month of year.
 - 5. The method according to claim 1, wherein the at least one associated feature comprises load current.
- 6. The method according to claim 1, wherein the behavior function comprises one of fuse saving mode and fuse clearing mode.
 - 7. The method according to claim 1, wherein the behavior function comprises one of single-phase operation and three-phase operation.

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- 8. A recloser control system for an electrical power line, comprising: a recloser:
- a memory comprising a protection setting group having at least one behavior function with an associated feature; and
- a recloser controller coupled to the recloser and the memory for controlling the recloser responsive to one of the at least one behavior functions in the protection setting group.
- The recloser control system according to claim 8, wherein the recloser controller
 monitors a present condition of each associated feature of each behavior function in the protection setting group, and determines the behavior function based on the present condition.
 - 10. The recloser control system according to claim 8, wherein the recloser controller comprises the memory.
 - 11. The recloser control system according to claim 8, wherein the one associated feature comprises one of time of day, day of week, and month of year.
- 12. The recloser control system according to claim 8, wherein the associated feature comprises load current.
 - 13. The recloser control system according to claim 8, wherein the at least one behavior function comprises one of fuse saving mode and fuse clearing mode.
- 25 14. The recloser control system according to claim 8, wherein the at least one behavior function comprises one of single-phase operation and three-phase operation.
 - 15. A computer-readable medium having computer-executable instructions for performing steps comprising:

determining a protection setting group for a recloser operating on an electrical power line, the protection setting group having at least one associated feature;

determining a present condition of the at least one associated feature;

determining a behavior function for the recloser based on the protection setting group and the present condition; and

implementing the behavior function for the recloser, thereby controlling the recloser responsive to the behavior function.

- 16. The computer-readable medium according to claim 15, further comprising computerexecutable instructions for continuously monitoring the present condition and changing the behavior function responsive to the monitoring.
 - 17. The computer-readable medium according to claim 16, wherein monitoring the present condition comprises monitoring at predetermined intervals.
 - 18. The computer-readable medium according to claim 15, wherein the at least one associated feature comprises one of time of day, day of week, month of year, and load current.
- 19. The computer-readable medium according to claim 15, wherein the behavior function comprises one of fuse saving mode and fuse clearing mode.
 - 20. The computer-readable medium according to claim 15, wherein the behavior function comprises one of single-phase operation and three-phase operation.

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